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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
	:	Examiner: Johnnie L. Smith
Kotaro AKUTSU)	
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Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed non-U.S. documents are also enclosed.

REMARKS

The following documents were cited in a Japanese Official Action of a foreign counterpart application corresponding to the above-referenced application, with Applicant having listed in parentheses corresponding U.S. documents

1. JP-A-8-203810
2. JP-A-5-226232
3. JP-A-5-343306

4. JP-A-9-159800
5. JP-A-2002-119038 (6,583,597 & 2002-070699A1)
6. JP-A-55-009418
7. JP-A-61-023317
8. JP-A-09-246134
9. JP-A-11-016815

English-language Abstracts for each of the Japanese documents were obtained from a commercial database and are also enclosed. Applicant respectfully submits that JP-A-8-203810 discloses, e.g., an electron beam drawing apparatus comprising a coarse movement stage and a fine movement stage, and that the document also discloses, e.g., changing a diameter of the beam. Applicant has also enclosed a translation of that document. Applicant wishes to advise that documents (4)-(9) were listed in the search made by the Japanese Examiner, but do not constitute the grounds of rejection. The Japanese Official Action is dated June 6, 2005.

FORMAL MATTERS

Any fee required in connection with this paper should be charged to Deposit Account 06-1205. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS							
*EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
		6,583,597 B2	06/24/2003	Tanaka, et al.	318	687	
		2002/0070699 A1	06/13/2002	Tanaka, et al.	318	687	
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		08-203810	08/09/1996	Japan			Yes & Abstract
		05-226232	09/13/1993	Japan			Abstract
		05-343306	12/24/1993	Japan			Abstract
		09-159800	06/20/1997	Japan			Abstract
		2002-119038	04/19/2002	Japan			Abstract
		55-009418	01/23/1980	Japan			Abstract
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